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Sports

HARBERTSON NOW THE CHAMPION OF THE WORLD

Through the failure of Pet Brown, the Texas wrestler, to keep his agreement for a bout with Jack Harbertson last night, at the Orpheum theatre, the Ogden man was awarded the bout by default. The decision was given by Jack Childs, who was chosen to act as referee, by a trio of local newspapermen, and according to the agreement between Brown and Harbertson carries with it the championship of the world, in the middleweight wrestling division.

The decision given by Referee Childs was as follows: "I now announce that Pet Brown has forfeited the match and that Jack Harbertson of Ogden is the champion middleweight wrestler of the world." In speaking of it afterward, Childs said: "There is ample precedent in sporting circles for the decision that I announced. Tommy Burns became heavyweight champion by the refusal of Jeffries to meet him. Other similar rulings have been made. As to the contract or agreement, it is very clear. Brown agreed to wrestle for the middleweight championship of the world. He didn't appear as specified, he was not excused in any way from the match and was perfectly able, physically, to be here. There can be no other decision than that Jack Harbertson is the champion middleweight of the world."

All day yesterday efforts were made to get Brown to keep his agreement, but they were unavailing. As previously announced, Harbertson carried out his part of the contract to the letter. He weighed in at 3 p. m., tipping the scales at 157 pounds 14 ounces. At the time set for the bout, he went to the theatre, which had been opened at 8 o'clock by Manager Joe Goss. Manager Goss had invited a number of fans who were interested in the affair, whether the bout was or was not staged, into the building and they gathered on the stage with Har-

bertson, Childs and the newspapermen. A wait of an hour was made after the appointed time and then the referee announced his decision.

Harbertson's statement before leaving the building was: "If Brown or anyone who throws Brown, claims the championship from now on, I will take the matter into court and have it decided right there who is champion. Brown signed a contract to wrestle with me tonight for the middleweight championship of the world. He did not appear. I did. The referee awarded the match to me in the presence of a number of people. To be absolutely sure of every step, I weighed in at 3 o'clock, or shortly after that hour, in the presence of 15 people. They all saw that my weight was slightly less than 155 pounds, to be exact, was 157 pounds and 14 ounces. Some people wondered if I would make the weight. I did it simply by sticking to my work to the last minute."

Most of the fans present were well up on the wrestling game and congratulated Harbertson on the stand he had taken.

WALK-OVER TEAM IS THE WINNER

The Walk-Over bowling team of the city league defeated the "Boston Braves" last night in the Bradley alley. Watkins rolled both the high score and high average. The lineup and summary follows:

BOSTON BRAVES				
	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Capt. Craven	171	148	167	486
Miller	182	157	161	500
Hall	209	142	199	551
Wing	115	145	145	405
Langworthy	128	123	135	386
Total	826	715	807	2348
WALK-OVER				
	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Capt. Fleishman	155	134	204	493
R. Fuller	143	169	199	511
Ed. Brophy	144	157	118	419
Gysin	171	178	150	531
Watkins	176	182	220	578
Total	789	820	923	2532

GREAT MYSTERY AT AMERICAN MEETING

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Officials of the American league, believed to be on the verge of closing a deal involving the sale of the New York club, made a great mystery of a meeting today, deferring a statement several times and finally adjourning until tomorrow without making known the subject of their discussion.

The meeting was called by B. B. Johnson, president of the league, and it was reported the representatives of each of the clubs was invited to give one player to the New York club in order to interest further Col. Jacob Ruppert and T. L. Huston of New York, prospective purchasers. Ruppert and Huston are expected to attend tomorrow's meeting here.

In addition to Johnson, Joseph J. Lannon, Boston; Frank Navin, Detroit; E. S. Bernard, Cleveland; Robert Hedges, St. Louis; Charles Comiskey, Chicago; and Ben S. Minor, Washington, were present. Connie Mack of Philadelphia was expected but failed to arrive. Clark Griffith, manager of the Washington club, reached here on his way east after securing Walter Johnson's signature to an American league contract, and told the club owners how he had saved his star pitcher from the Federals.

TRIO OF .300 HITTERS NETS MEASLY \$150

Baseball has its vivid contrasts—in individuals, plays and business deals. Summed up, it is figured Eddie Collins' purchase from the Athletics cost the White Sox exactly \$110,000, a record price. On the same day Cadillac, in the Michigan State league, sold three .300 hitters for \$150, a ridiculous price. Young and Sharrock went to Kansas City, while Penner was sold to Saginaw. The three rolled into one wouldn't make a Collins, but can't you remember the day when almost any .300 hitter would bring at least \$500?

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SALT LAKE IN COAST LEAGUE

Pacific Franchise Committee and Utah Baseball Men Close the Deal.

Salt Lake, Dec. 22.—Salt Lake is in the Pacific Coast league. While there are still some details to be arranged, the meeting held yesterday afternoon at the Hotel Utah proved successful from every standpoint, and the Pacific Coast league franchise committee, President Alan T. Baum and Henry Berry, new owner of the San Francisco team, will leave for the coast this morning.

Both Baum and Berry were enthusiastic over the reception they received here and with the business like manner with which the local men discussed the proposition. While there was no transfer of funds the \$15,000 was waiting for the Coast league men, but both Baum and Berry advised that the local men form their company and get on a working basis and then this money can be turned over. It was decided to do this.

"Salt Lake is in the coast league," said President Baum. "Mr. Berry and myself have completed our business here and tomorrow we will leave for San Francisco. We had a straight aboveboard talk with the local men and are perfectly satisfied with their promises and propositions. There wasn't a scratch of the pen at the meeting, but the franchise committee and the local business men came to an agreement and that's as much as we want just now."

"We looked over the present park here this morning and at two other locations that can be secured. Because Mr. Berry and myself have had some experience in these matters we advised the men here regarding a park. Just what action they will take I do not know."

"At the meeting this afternoon the franchise committee put forth what the Coast league expects of Salt Lake and explained fully the situation. On the other hand the local men stated what they were willing to do and what they expected in return from us. And it was on this basis that we agreed and I can say for myself and Mr. Berry and I believe every member of the coast league, that I am glad to see Salt Lake in the circuit and one of us."

"As regards Salt Lake making good, I do not believe there is a question of a doubt. It is pretty hard to get enthusiastic over a summer sport when there is snow on the ground and the thermometer as low as it is here, but we found all the enthusiasm we could ask for at the meeting and everywhere we go. There are good fans here and know they will support class AA baseball in a manner that will surprise some of the local men themselves. We have been treated royally here and I will say that I expect to see a whole lot of Salt Lake every year. Berry likes what he has seen of this country so well that he figures on coming here for a month next year and fish."

After the meeting President Baum and Mr. Berry were entertained at the Louvre cafe and later at the Utah theatre.

Those at the meeting yesterday besides the coast leaguers were Cliff D. Blankenship, who will manage the team; M. R. Evans, George O. Relif, George E. Hale and others.

BEST BOXING CARD OF THE SEASON

Salt Lake, Dec. 22.—Manhattan club patrons witnessed the best card at the Garrick theatre last night that Manager Hardy K. Downing has served this season. Six smashing bouts were carded and four of the number came to abrupt terminations before the scheduled four rounds were concluded. There was more real battling during the evening than is witnessed in most championship battles. Next Monday night the Garrick will be "dark," Manager Downing announcing that on account of the Yokel-Brown wrestling match being carded for that date no bouts will be held by the Manhattan.

"Young" Herrera, the clever Mexican boxer, was awarded a well-earned decision over Jack Myers in the headliner bout. The bout went the stipulated four rounds, although Myers made a claim of foul in the final frame, which was not allowed. Herrera clearly outboxed the hard-hitting Harman club star, whose right could not find a weak spot in the Mexican's armor. It will take a boxer with a good left hook to make the chunky foreigner lose a decision.

The semi-final between "Battling" Johnson and Red Andrews of Ogden was the best that has been shown Manhattan club patrons. The local star stopped the Ogden lad in the final round, but knew that he had been in a battle long before he earned the decision. Andrews scored the cleanest knock-downs in the first round. In the second only the gong saved the

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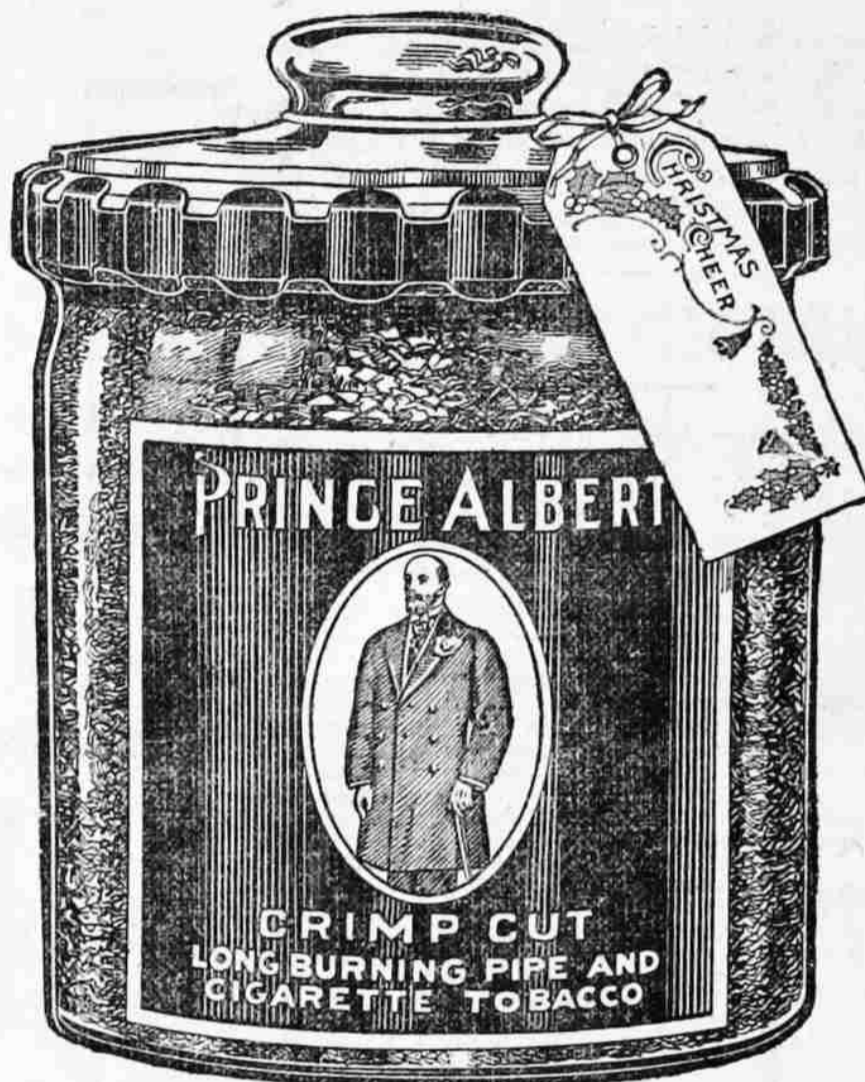
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Ogden battler from being counted out, as Johnson had sent him to the canvas. Knock-downs were frequent in the third. Andrews went to the floor in three occasions and forced Johnson down on one occasion. In the final round Johnson sent Andrews down repeatedly, and he was at last counted out while on his knees and in the act of rising to continue the bout. He put up one of the best and gamiest exhibitions shown here in years.

"Two-Round" Farley of Ogden had to go three rounds to stop "Kid" Bobo, the negro boxer. Bobo entered the ring with an apparent case of stage fright, the reputation of the Ogden boy being too large in the eyes of the "smoke." At that, he made a good showing and damaged Farley about the face with left jabs before the heavy bombardment wore him down.

"Young" Wolgast was another boxer to fall to show his true form, although he earned a draw with "Bud" Tucker. Wolgast was practically out at the conclusion of the second round, but rallied in splendid fashion and had much the better of the remaining two rounds. He was not in the best of shape and his accustomed speed was lacking.

"Cyclone" Lefty, an old Manhattan club favorite, made "Kid" Mack take the count in the third round of their engagement, the rushing tactics of the winner being too much for his younger opponent. Mack is too good-natured to be a boxer.

"Kid Battler" and "Kid Mauler" were the curtain raiser. The latter played the receiving end in a bout that was good for its comedy features and took the count gracefully early in the third round.

RETIRED ATTORNEY AND SON ARE SHOT

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 22.—William Montrose Alexander, a retired attorney, said to be a millionaire and for many years a resident of Dallas, Tex., was shot and killed early today by one of two burglars whom he discovered in his home. W. M. Alexander, Jr., endeavoring to go to the aid of his father, was shot in the breast. Another bullet severed the index finger of his left hand. The Alexanders moved from Dallas three years ago to Washington, D. C., where two daughters attended school.

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THAW'S REMOVAL MAY BE DELAYED

Legal Proceedings May Be Long Drawn Out Before Defendant Sees Inside of Tombs Prison.

New York, Dec. 22.—William Travers Jerome was unprepared today to say when the legal machinery for the extradition of Harry K. Thaw from New Hampshire to this country would be put in motion. He indicated that he had reason to believe that Thaw's attorneys would start new habeas corpus proceedings in New Hampshire and that he feared it might be a long time before Thaw saw the inside of the Tombs prison, where it is planned to keep him pending his trial on the charge of conspiracy to escape from the Matteawan state hospital for the criminal insane.

It was pointed out to Mr. Jerome today that once removed to the Tombs, Thaw might be admitted to bail.

"If he is admitted to bail," said Mr. Jerome, "the superintendent of Matteawan will immediately present a detainer under which Thaw will be taken to Matteawan as an insane man, to await his trial."

"If he is convicted I presume he will serve out such sentence as is imposed upon him, whereupon the detainer consisting of his original commitment to Matteawan having been filed at his place of imprisonment, will occasion his return to Matteawan."

Thaw's attorneys would say nothing about his case.

DEADLY WEAPON BY AN AMERICAN

Gloucester, Mass., Dec. 21.—A new type of projectile, which would scatter a white-hot mixture of molten steel over the object of attack, and at the same time permeate the atmosphere with a deadly gas which would make it impossible for firefighters to approach, has been invented by John Hays Hammond, Jr., according to a statement made by the inventor tonight. The new missile may soon appear in the European war, as some of the belligerent nations are now negotiating for its purchase, he said. The United States government at present is conducting experiments with the new projectile at Sandy Hook.

The missile is designed for use in siege guns, as an aid in destroying towns and dirigible balloons.

Mr. Hammond explained that the projectile carries an aluminothermic mixture which, five seconds after the projectile is discharged, turns the steel inside to a white-hot mixture at a temperature of 5400 degrees Fahrenheit.

When the projectile hits the target, the inventor said, it explodes, its white hot contents setting fire to whatever inflammable material it strikes. To avoid the possibility of any one in the locality quenching the flames, Mr. Hammond said, he had equipped the projectile with a chamber filled with hydrocyanic acid, the fumes of which are deadly.

ATTORNEY GENERAL DECIDES BOND CASE

Washington, Dec. 22.—Attorney General Gregory, in a decision today, reaffirms the action of his predecessors in holding that the present owner of the Central branch, Union Pacific Railroad company, is not bound to pay the government's old \$1,500,000 subsidy bond claim against the branch property. The bonds were issued to aid the construction of one hundred miles of railroad from Atchison to Waterville, Kan.

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